

TOWN OF AMENIA
Business Workshop Meeting
Thursday, October 14, 2010
Amenia Town Hall

Supervisor Euvrard called **Business Workshop Meeting** to order at 7:00 pm.

Salute to the flag was conducted.

Emergency Exits at right of town board meeting table and at rear of meeting room.

PRESENT:	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Highway

Supervisor Euvrard reported that Nelson Hill Road Bridge work has been completed.

Water Department

Marco D'Antonio submitted monthly water usage report.
Readings, inspections and service line fees to be reviewed.

Town Clerk

Maureen Bonds reported that NYS Dog Licensing Local Law issues are being discussed with Michael Hayes, Town Attorney.

Quote submitted for office furniture from Hudson Valley Office Furniture in the amount of \$906. Verbal quote submitted from Alternative Designs, Inc. for carpeting, labor and installation in the amount of \$1256.37.

Town Clerk submitted September 2010 Town Board Workshop, Regular Meeting and Budget Workshop Minutes.

Building

Michael Segelken, Building Inspector, submitted letter to town board stating that Amenia Elementary School playground equipment is unsafe and in need of immediate repair. Mr. Segelken has placed caution tape around equipment.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS (cont'd)

Assessor – BAR appointments

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilwoman Perotti to APPOINT **Vern Fish** and RE-APPOINT **Una Couture** as Board of Assessment Review members.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

Recreation

Microphone and Speaker (PA system) purchased for Orpha Thomas, President of Wassaic Seniors group.

Board of Ethics

George Mudge, Chairman, submitted recommendations and proposal to adopt new **Code of Ethics**. Revisions are based on the model from the NYS Comptroller's office. Public Hearing to be scheduled after review by Town Board.

Grants

Michael Hagerty submitted updated grant report.
Proposed grant under Recreational Trails Program.
Request for qualifications (RFQ's) for Wassaic Trail to Train design work – town board to review.
Councilwoman Doyle has applied for 2011 Amenia Dance Program (Abe & Ann Effron grant).

SNOW REMOVAL BIDS – 2010

Supervisor Euvrard read legal notice published in Millerton News.

A.F. Smith & Sons - Dover, NY	\$14,000
Northwest Lawn & Landscaping – Amenia, NY	\$13,072

MOTION by Councilwoman Doyle, SECOND by Councilwoman Riemer to AWARD 2010 Snow Removal Bid to **Northwest Lawn & Landscaping** in the amount of \$13,072.

ROLL:	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

Snow Removal – Amenia Post Office

Town of Amenia received letter from A.F. Smith & Sons, offering to remove snow from sidewalks between Amenia Post Office and Mechanic Street in the amount of \$2,000.
Town Board members to discuss further.

COMMITTEES

Farmers Market

Letter of request to hold Farmer's Market in town hall gymnasium. Councilwoman Riemer stated that she would research, as work must be completed in gym before occupancy.

Supervisor Euvrard suggested that hallway on first floor be used on temporary basis, until gymnasium work completed.

Halloween Curfew

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilwoman Perotti to ASSIGN curfew at 8:00pm on Sunday, October 31, 2010 for those 18 years old and younger in the Town of Amenia.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to schedule Special 2011 Budget Workshops for October 18th, 20th, 25th and 27th, 2010.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

DISCUSSION: NEW TOWN HALL

NYSERDA grant – review for energy efficiency, establish bid specifications.

Councilwoman Riemer updated the following issues:

Invoice submitted by Alternative Designs in the amount of \$24,749.00.

Change Orders submitted: additional electrical work, removal of sinks, plumbing, patching and painting, no platform over tunnel entry in town board meeting room, Code issue; must repair peeling paint in hallways, stairwells and other locations, carpeting in Town Clerk's office.

NEW TOWN HALL (cont'd)

Supervisor Euvrard stated that he is in total disagreement with Change Order for painting in the amount of \$13,972.50.

Supervisor Euvrard was in total disagreement for purchasing carpeting for Town Clerk's office. Steam cleaning should be adequate for all carpeting in building.

Councilwoman Riemer reiterated that Tri-Wall monies have been designated for this Amenia Town Hall project.

Councilwomen Riemer, Perotti, and Doyle agreed that proposed Change Orders are a health, safety and welfare issue and must be completed for Code requirements.

Prevailing wage and insurance coverage for work performed discussed.

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard to decline Change Order #6 for purchase of carpeting for Town Clerks office.

NO SECOND –MOTION WITHDRAWN.

MOTION by Councilwoman Riemer, SECOND by Councilwoman Doyle to ACCEPT all Change Orders, **excluding** Change Order for construction of platform in town hall meeting room.

ROLL:	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	No
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye

MOTION CARRIED 4 AYES – 1 NO

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to ACCEPT Title Insurance for a yearly premium of \$342.

ROLL:	Councilwoman Riemer	Aye
	Councilwoman Perotti	Aye
	Councilwoman Doyle	Aye
	Councilman Cayea	Aye
	Supervisor Euvrard	Aye

MOTION CARRIED

Town of Amenia **building use form** to be revised by Michael Hayes, Town Attorney.

ThyssenKrupp Elevator to inspect Elevator on annual basis.

Bottini Fuel to inspect boilers.

Cablevision/Optimum contract signed.

Supervisor Euvrard to contact **Commercial Instruments and Alarm** of Fishkill, NY for Fire Alarm monitoring.

George Butts, Electrician, to assist Gary Bonds, Town videographer, in relocating **Amenia TV** Equipment and electrical wiring to Town Hall.

SUPERVISOR'S REPORT

Local events announced.

Public Hearing for Preliminary 2011 Town of Amenia Budget and Regular Board Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, November 10, 2010.

Councilwoman Perotti was recognized in the Poughkeepsie Journal for establishing a grant for Fountain Square in Amenia, New York.

Supervisor to contact Marc Molinaro's office for follow-up on Highway Department **salt shed** issue.

TOWN BOARD COMMENTS

Councilwoman Doyle announced upcoming events.

NO PUBLIC COMMENT

MOTION by Supervisor Euvrard, SECOND by Councilman Cayea to ADJOURN Business Workshop Meeting at 9:03pm, with motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted:

Maureen Bonds
Amenia Town Clerk

Draft to Town Board: November 24, 2010
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